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Invention: BOAT TROPANES

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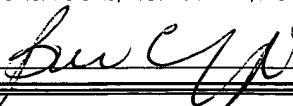
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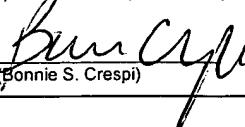
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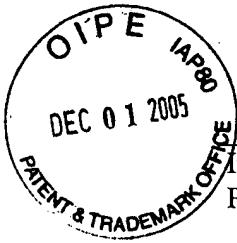
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### AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action dated June 1, 2005 ("the Office Action"), the response time to which is extended to and including December 1, 2005 by the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, Applicants request entry of the following amendment and consideration of the remarks that follow.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.